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## Green Says Labor Can Win 1950 Elections; Dedicates New Boilermakers' Building

KANSAS CITY.—AFL President William Green declared that "an overwhelming victory for the cause of progress" will be assured "if the members of our trade unions and their families and friends make certain to

Assailing the twin forces of Communism and reaction which seek to undermine these benefits, Mr. Green pledged that the American labor movement will stand as an impassable barrier against offenders, launched

Mr. Green spoke at dedication ceremonies of a splendid new office building on either quarter.

On the domestic front, Mr. Green said that the attainment of labor's program for an expanding economy with higher standards of living for

ing here erected by the AFL's International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Shipbuilders and Helpers of America. He participated with Charles J. MacGowan, president of the union, and representatives of labor, government and civic life.

One floor of the new and imposing edifice will be occupied as the national headquarters for the Boilermakers Union. The remaining space in the 9-story structure will be leased out in accordance with the union's plan to utilize the building.

In his address of dedication, Mr. Green paid tribute to the outstanding record of the union in service to the nation during the last war, with particular emphasis upon the production

"I know of no other union which can boast of a more inspiring record of all-out service and all-out devotion to the cause of justice everywhere to dedicate themselves to their high responsibility as good citizens. Let each of us pledge to discharge those responsibilities by cast-

**Navy Revises Labor Policy;**

## Supervisors Given New Role

The revision of the Navy's group employee relations policy, approved by Under Secretary of the Navy Dan A. Kimball, defines "active participation" as holding office, or serving on a board or committee of the union.

While such activity is now permitted, the Navy Department qualified its extent in situations in which the supervisor might find a conflict between the employee's duties and his union activities.

Touching on such cases, the revised department policy manual says: "It is recognized, however, that supervisors, as members of management, are frequently called upon to exercise administrative or discretionary responsibility in carrying out management policies. Therefore, under some circumstances, active participation in employee organization affairs may be a source of serious embarrassment to them, either as

Another change in the revised manual calls for settlement of all questions concerning working conditions at the lowest management level. Previously, it had been Navy practice to carry such questions to

The Navy manual restates the basic Navy labor relations policy as follows:

selves more freely through organized groups than individually; and that discussions between representatives of organized employee groups and management officials is generally of mutual advantage. Consistent with the foregoing, it is the policy of the department to recognize the right of employees to organize. Further, it is the policy of the department that management officials shall deal with representatives of those

## Kaiser Praises U. S. Labor Movement

## For Emergence as New World Force

"As a consequence, labor is now part of the local community, it is part of the national community, it is part of the world community," he said.

Kaiser paid tribute to the generous and courageous activity which the American labor movement is carrying on in the international field. "It is giving its wholehearted support to the cornerstones of our foreign policy," he said.

Recently appointed as assistant secretary of labor for international labor affairs, Kaiser also praised the AFL, the CIO and the independent

unions who "have given generously to their needy brothers in Europe." He said, "They have sent food and clothing, they have given money and

**PROFIT POSITION BETTER  
IN BRITISH COAL MINES**

London.—Britain's nationalized coal mines continued to show a profit in the second quarter of this year, but compared with a loss of £22,000,000 in the first year of nationalisation and a profit of £1,700,000 in the second year.

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**100% 'YES' VOTE WINS POLL.**

**FOR AFL TEXTILE WORKERS**

Atlanta.—The AFL's United Textile Workers of America was selected as the collective bargaining agent by 100 percent of the employees of the

against \$7,200,000 in the first quarter. The board's surplus after providing for interest and taxes was \$2,400,000 in the second quarter and \$3,800,000 in the first.

Taking the surplus for the two

quarters together an annual profit of about \$6,000,000 would be indicated. There were no challenged or void ballots.



The A. F. of L. World War Service boys are now active and are making interpretations of the industrial, labor, and political news and contain other information of help to the busy news reader.

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## WEEKLY NEWS SERVICE

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WILLIAM GREEN, President

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GEORGE MEANY, Secretary-Treasurer

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And Congressmen to  
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## Miserable Life of Workers Under Reds' Exposed by Hungarian Labor Refugee

By ARNOLD BEICHMAN,

N. Y. Correspondent for AFL Weekly News Service

New York—This is how it was in Communist regime, especially in Hungary. A so-called "rich-and-lazy" worker in a factory stands up on a hot day in a room and says:

"Comrade, I move that we all vote to work an extra hour today to help our fellow-countrymen in the present crisis (or whatever the current trouble may be)."

That's the report from the one-time leader of the Hungarian movement, Charles Peyer, who recently arrived in America, an ex-Communist and ex-Hungarian labor leader. Peyer, who was recently elected Vice President of the American Federation of Labor, and who was also elected Vice President of the American Federation of Labor and AFL-CIO, said that he was in Hungary for 10 years, and that he was in the Hungarian Communist Party for 10 years.

In a special interview with the AFL weekly, Mr. Peyer described how the life in Hungary has been increased from a miserable one to a miserable one. He said that the average weekly wage is about \$1.00, and that the average weekly wage is about \$1.00.

According to Mr. Peyer, the Communist regime in Hungary has abolished the right to work. It has abolished the right to work. It has abolished the right to work.

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## Impromptu Labor Parley

AFI President William Green puts a point man in an informal conference with West Coast AFL leaders.

San Francisco, Sept. 15.—An informal conference of West Coast AFL leaders, held here last night, was presided over by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor. Green, who was in San Francisco for a few days, met with a group of West Coast AFL leaders, including John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, and other prominent labor leaders.

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## Strike Of 1,500 AFL Printers Seen Ended By New TU Pact

Tobin Says Jobless Insurance Payments Kept Up Buying Power in New England

Washington—Purchasing power in New England, hardly hit by unemployment, has been kept fairly stable by the fact that the Federal Government has kept up its jobless insurance payments to workers, Secretary of Labor James H. Aronson said today.

Addressing the Federal Advisory Council on Employment Security, he said New England has suffered most from the rise in joblessness in recent months, and now has "10 out of the 14 million unemployed workers."

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"In my opinion, this can be directly attributed to the fact that the Federal Government has kept up its jobless insurance payments to workers, Secretary of Labor James H. Aronson said today.

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Chicago Local Must Ratify Agreement For \$10 Raise

Chicago, Sept. 15.—A tentative agreement reached by the Chicago local of the International Typographical Union and the Chicago Newspaper Publishers Association, which was reached Sept. 14, is expected to be ratified by the Chicago local of the union.

The new contract was subject to a vote of the members of the union on Sept. 18. Ratification was expected to be completed by the union on Sept. 18.

It provides for a \$10 weekly wage increase, and union security provisions which the ITU executive committee believes are the best that can be made under the circumstances.

With the wage increase, printers will receive \$10.00 per week on the day shift, \$10.00 per week on the night shift, and \$10.00 per week on the third shift, and \$10.00 per week on the fourth shift.

Some of the major provisions of the new contract provide for the following:

1. The publishers continue to recognize the union as the exclusive bargaining agent for their printing employees.

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## Human Relations Failure Attributed To Industry

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## Hemispheric Labor Union Ends Session: Acts to Aid Anti-Red Workers, Workers

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## AFL Taxi Union Mobilized To Track Down Murderer

Local 777, of the AFL taxiwayners' International, was called to action to track down a man who was charged with the murder of a taxi driver.

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Senate Unit OK's  
FEPC Legislation

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